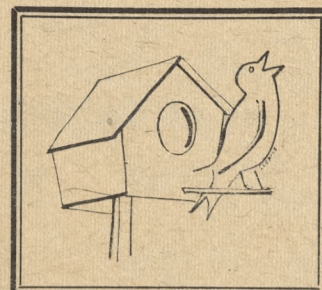




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Two Foreign Students Are Guests of Hamilton

By Joan Garner

Two foreign students, Rabih El-Batal of Syria and Le Minh Son of Viet Nam, were guests of Fort Hamilton from Feb. 11 to March 3. They were among the 39 delegates to the Herald Tribune Youth Forum.

Charles Saydah, 4A3, and Peter Mollo, 4B8, were privileged to be hosts to Rabih and Le Minh respectively.

During their first week here Rabih attended classes with Larry Katen, 3F22, while Le Minh accompanied Ray Saleeby. The remainder of their stay was devoted to visiting other classes upon invitation.

The delegates were also presented to the Junior Class at an assembly program planned by the Minutemen, social studies club. Later they were guests of the school at a Broadway performance of *The Hollow Crown*.

Tour Washington

After leaving Hamilton they joined other delegates for a tour of Washington, D.C., Williamsburg, Va., and other southern cities. From there they went to Sarah Lawrence College, in Bronxville, to prepare for a final forum assembly to be held at Philharmonic Hall two weeks from today.

For the second year Hamilton has participated in this program. Last year Dureen Islan of Pakistan was the school guest.

Delegates are chosen by their government after competing in nationwide contests. The Herald Tribune pays all except incidental expenses, these being paid by the G.O.

"Program Valuable"

Said Miss Rita Duhig, acting chairman of the Social Studies Department, "This program is valuable because it is a good experience in international living. It helps us under-

stand others in the world, and in turn helps them to understand us. If we understand each other, we can get along better."

Miss Duhig said they expect to continue the program next year.

Anchor Editor Likes to Write

By Mary Azzara

Joan Garner, editor-in-chief of the *Anchor*, annual literary magazine, is a girl with many talents.

This senior's first love is creative writing. Last year her poem "To a Soldier" appeared in the *Anchor*. This year Mr. Jerome Carlin, Chairman of the English Department, submitted "To a Soldier" and "Enigma," another of her poems, to the New York City High School Poetry Contest.

"Creative writing gives an individual an opportunity to express himself in an original, imaginative, entertaining way," said Joan.

Reporter on Pilot

Joan is also a reporter on the *Pilot* staff, a member of the Psychology Club, and a member of Arista. She is fond of reading, her favorite authors being Hemingway and Remarque.

This attractive, gifted senior enjoys listening to classical and folk music. She is an avid fan of the Kingston Trio and Joan Baez. Swimming and horseback riding are two outdoor sports she especially enjoys.

Joan devotes the eighth period to
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30 Able Seniors Win Scholarships In Regents Exams

By Jo Anne Russo

Thirty seniors — eleven boys and nineteen girls — were winners in the New York State Regents Scholarship Examination held last October. They will receive financial aid according to their need.

This year scholarship winners fall into two major groups: college scholarships and four-year nursing scholarships.

First Category Winners

Winners in the first category are as follows: Mary Azzara, James Borazas, Richard Brown, Margaret Burfeind, Evelyn Byers, Ramonal Calzada, Florence Capaldo, Veronica Cattani, Julie Cohn, Linda Ferretti, Susan Figved, Joan Garner, Kenneth Hansen, Toni Hill, Lois Johnson, Wanda Jordan, Richard Kelter, Robert Krener.

Janice Kretschmann, Lois Leewe, Leslie Lorch, Edward McCann, Patricia McIntyre, Joyce Oakley, Charles Saydah, Louis Spaventa, Susan Stover, Michael Wallner, John Walsh, Janet Yellen.

Mary Hutton was awarded a four-year nursing scholarship.

Sixteen Alternates

"Whereas thirty students have won Regents scholarships as of now, at least sixteen more may be added to the list," said Mrs. Mary Catania, college coordinator.

"Many primary winners reject their scholarships because they plan to attend schools out of the state."

These alternates are Richard Brandt, Frank Breuer, Bruce Ettenberg, Eva Halpern, Mary Hutton, Ronald Khoury, Robert Levine, Sandra Levine, William McCartney, Bernadine McLeod, Peter Mollo, Richard Monterosso, Dorothy Pohls, Victor Raso, Lynne Savage, Frank Tuccillo.

In addition, 283 students were granted Scholar Incentive Awards. These were also based on financial need.

Club Enriches Study of Latin

"When in Rome, do as the Romans do."

The Classical Club, by donning traditional garb and observing the customs of that ancient civilization, is attempting to enrich the study of Latin for its members.

Under the direction of Mrs. Lola Caesar, the group meets every other Thursday in room 204. Arthur Di Mattia and Mary-Jo Francis are consuls, or presidents, of the club. Members are divided into three groups: upperclassmen are senators; second year students, patricians; and freshmen, lowly plebs.

Among the club's recent activities was a Saturnalia, or Christmas party, held in the teachers cafeteria. All members wore costumes—stolas for girls, togas for boys, tunics for plebs and girls.

The group is busily rehearsing a program for the March 13 and 20 assemblies. The members are also arranging a banquet complete with Roman cuisine, entertainment and music.

Said Mrs. Caesar, "Everyone is very enthusiastic about the club's activities. Nonmembers are missing a truly worthwhile experience."

Ready to Weigh the Anchor



Stephanie Sove, Joan Garner, editor-in-chief; Virginia Thomas and Lois Leewe discuss some aspect of the literary magazine.

Anchor to Be on Sale Shortly After Easter

By Karen Winther

Fort Hamilton's literary magazine, the *Anchor*, will appear shortly after the Easter recess, according to Miss Helen P. Gerlach, faculty adviser. It will be distributed through the English classes at 50 cents a copy.

This year's issue will contain serious and humorous poems and stories, including satires on gym classes and Boy Scout Camps. A story concerning a young girl living in Poland at the time of the Nazi occupation will also appear.

The magazine's art work will consist of drawings and photographs and each selection will be illustrated.

Articles From English Classes

The staff has the task of determining which contributions submitted by the English classes are to be published. The members themselves also write some of the material.

Heading the staff are Joan Garner,

editor-in-chief; Lois Leewe, assistant editor; Stephanie Sove and Robert McLean, art editors; and Virginia Thomas, business manager.

Members Work Hard

"Much work has gone into this year's *Anchor*," said Joan, "and we hope the students will enjoy reading it as much as we have enjoyed compiling it."

Among the various stories in the forthcoming issue will be "Roughing It Can Be Pretty Rough," by Charles Saydah; "Sweating by the Numbers," by Leslie Quinn; "Dutch Land," by Lois Leewe; "Sala," by Eleanor Witek; and "Juvenile," by Annabel Noto.

The poetry will include "Sea Watch," by Joan Garner and "Epitaph," by Diane Gabrielsen.

The cover illustration was done by Alan Thompson, the photography by Judy Warshaver.

"I am sure," said Miss Gerlach, "that the *Anchor* will be enjoyed as much this year as it has been in the past."

Cafeteria Service Needed for Arista

Students who want to apply next term for membership in Arista, school honor society, must not only maintain a minimum 85% scholastic average, but must have one year of cafeteria service.

Mrs. Mary Catania, Arista adviser, emphasizes that it is up to the student to obtain his service credit. Jobs can be obtained during the first few weeks of the September term. Two full terms of service (10 points) are required.

The Arista Society is open to qualifying students in the junior and senior years.

To Present Opera Here Tomorrow

Così Fan Tutte (That's the Way They Are), an opera by Wolfgang Mozart, will be presented by members of the Metropolitan Opera Guild tomorrow in the auditorium from 1 to 3 P.M.

This opera depicts the typical life of the 18th century upper class at leisure. Lorenzo da Ponte wrote the libretto in Italian, but it will be sung in English.

Così Fan Tutte was presented here two years ago and was enthusiastically received by the students.

Quick Calendar

End of 3rd quarter	March 29
Open School Afternoons	April 1, 2
<i>Pilot</i> published	April 4
Report cards distributed	April 10
Easter holidays	April 12-21 incl.
<i>Pilot</i> published	May 2
PTA card party	May 3
School play	May 10, 11
Musical	May 24, 25
Memorial Day (no school)	May 30
Anniversary Day (no school)	June 6
<i>Pilot</i> published	June 7
Regents	June 17, 18, 19, 20
Commencement	June 27

Latin Students in Classical Garb



Standing: Grace Hultman, Sonia Rasmussen, Gary Francis, Ann-Marie Lewis, Rick Nasser, Mary-Jo Francis, Arthur Di Mattia, Robert Bilench, Nancy Rybaczyk, Kathy La Bella.
Kneeling: James Martini, Dan Marino.

Free College Tuition?

Although there is nothing so constant as change, change is the one thing people dislike most if it affects their purse. As a result, the governor's proposal to charge tuition in the state schools has met with violent opposition.

The problem which New York State faces is that of providing additional funds for school building programs, for expanded facilities in existing schools, and for salary increments for teachers.

As this money cannot be raised through new taxes, nor materialize from thin air, it is logical to assume that those who derive the greatest benefit should help provide the additional revenue.

While the ideal of free education from kindergarten through college is a noble one, there is no reason why individuals who can afford to pay should not be charged a nominal tuition fee. The plan does not require payment by those in the lower income brackets.

Thus, by sacrificing an educational system that is completely free, but open only to students of the highest caliber, the state would be able to provide facilities to accommodate a larger number of students in its schools.

By 1970 it is expected that the number of college-bound boys and girls will double; higher education has become a necessity in today's complex world.

The goal of college instruction for all qualified New York residents can be achieved only by charging tuition in state-supported institutions. *For those, of course, who can afford to pay.*

Our Foreign Guests

This year Hamilton was very fortunate in having two delegates from the Herald Tribune Youth Forum attend our school, Rabi El-Batal from Syria and Le Minh Son from Viet Nam.

Both boys were chosen through competition in their own countries. Since 1947, more than 500 delegates have come to the United States from 76 countries for the three-month program of living with American families. This program is especially valuable in furthering understanding between people from different areas of the world.

Since our generation will help guide tomorrow's world, it is of the utmost importance that we be familiar with different races, creeds, and governmental systems. Many of the participants in this program become leaders in their respective countries. The impression we left with them is likely to remain in their minds for years to come.

The editors are sure that Hamiltonites reflected in their actions the qualities of good Americans: courtesy, love of freedom, and respect for the rights of others.

Cocoons

Once, when I was a child,
I watched the flawless spinning of cocoons.
Exquisitely they formed on the gnarled branches
Of the winter-naked oak.
And spring would saunter in
With bold, intrepid steps,
Treading a carpet of crushed violets.
It burst cocoons
That prodded childhood wonder;
It brought wheat-scented sky,
And lace-light leaves, and butterflies.
I reached out far and tried to grasp
Their flitting glories.
Futility.
They vanished, and I cried.

Dreams are like that:
Vague phenomena
In the cold, deep chasms of the mind.
Suddenly the Spring of revelation
Pushes through the night,
Releasing flitting phantoms
With stained-glass wings.

But somehow they escape beyond the dusk,
Like butterflies in childhood,
And I cry.

Joan Garner, 4A5

Adviser Enjoys Working With Students on Anchor

By Lois Leewe

If one were to enter 329 during the eighth period, he would observe the activity of an informal group instead of a conventional class.

In one corner students might be discussing drawings or sketching ideas for a story. Other students might be reading or discussing copy. A teacher, acting as adviser, associate, and referee, might be moving from one group to another, joining in the discussion, asking and answering questions, and seeing that everything runs smoothly.

For 329 is where the *Anchor*, school literary magazine, is created. The students are members of the art and literary staffs; the teacher in charge, Miss Helen P. Gerlach.

Miss Gerlach

In 1959 the *Anchor* made an appearance after an eight-year absence. Miss Gerlach, then a new teacher here, was chosen faculty adviser.

Likes Working With Staff

"I enjoy working with the students on the staff," she said, "because it gives them an opportunity to have their literary or artistic work published. I like the idea of seeing the boys and girls start from scratch, work for several months, then produce a finished publication."

Miss Gerlach attended St. Joseph's College in Brooklyn and did graduate work at N.Y.U. Before coming here she taught at Bushwick High School.

Fond of Traveling

This teacher enjoys reading many types of books and attending theatrical performances. Her favorite sports are swimming and boating.

Traveling is an important "extra-curricular" activity for Miss Gerlach. She has visited the Montana Rockies. Last

summer she toured Egypt, Greece, Switzerland, France and Italy, spending a month in Rome.

Miss Gerlach is now looking forward to a trip to Scandinavia in the not too distant future.

Asked what place she enjoyed most, Miss Gerlach replied, "Rome is not only a beautiful city but the representative of several civilizations."

Luther Burbank

One hundred and fourteen years ago today Luther Burbank was born in Lancaster, Massachusetts.

Before he was twenty-one, he was experimenting with plants, fruits, and flowers, and until the day he died in Santa Rosa, California, on April 11, 1926, Burbank's skilled hand and imaginative brain were devoted to breeding better fruits, vegetables, berries, and flowers.

"I shall be contented," he said, "if, because of me, there shall be better fruits and fairer flowers."

And because of him, there were.

No End to Work



Round About

By Mary Azzara

Question: Are you in favor of tuition-free municipal colleges even if a person can afford to pay?

Bruce Ettenberg, 4A5:

No, I am not in favor of tuition-free colleges for those who can afford to pay without hardship to their family. The main reason for such colleges is to give those who cannot afford an education the chance to get one.

Adele Corradengo, 4B12:

No. If a person can afford to pay, he should not go to a free college. Many bright, wealthy students feel that they shouldn't pay for an education when they can get a very good one free. This isn't fair, for if they go to a free college, they eliminate someone else who may not be as bright, but who really cannot afford the expense.

Marie Saydah, 2C29:

I believe that these colleges should remain tuition-free regardless of the financial status of the students. Everyone pays an equal proportion of his income in taxes to support these schools, and this should be sufficient. The state charter makes these schools available on the basis of scholastic ability only, and this principle should not be changed.

Margaret Burfeind, 4B2:

No, many students who can afford to pay for an education are attending tuition-free colleges and thereby depriving financially harassed individuals the privilege of a free college education.

Martin Feeney, 4A11:

There should always be tuition-free colleges. However, I feel that in admitting students to these colleges, those most in need of financial aid should be given preference over those less in need.

Gilbert Allison, 1A1:

If a person can afford to pay for a college education, the amount of tuition should be determined by the size of that person's income.

Joanne Okolovitch, 3A9:

Tuition-free colleges encourage those who are in need of money to further their education. If a person can afford the expense, he should attend a pay college and thereby enable a less fortunate person to attend a free college.

Cobnicle Chronicle

By Julie Cohn

In keeping with the current trend toward group singing—Sing Along With Mitch, Sing Out With Pete, and so on—the *Pilot* is publishing, as a special service, its own song sheet. So sing, sing!

Teacher's Lament

(To the tune of "My Favorite Things")



Julie

Students who doze behind dark-tinted glasses,
Those who spend half-hours out with the passes,
Bright paper airplanes soaring in space,
These are some things I would like to erase.

Gyp-sheets and cheat-sheets and telescope eyes,
Short skirts and tight pants and shirts without ties,

Bubble-gum chewing—snap, crackle and pop—
These are some things that I would like to stop.
When they cut class, when they don't pass,
When their marks ain't good,
I smoke a cigar, then go home to my wife,
And drown all my grief . . . in food!

Why Can't the English

(From *My Fair Lady*)

Why can't the English teachers teach us how to speak?
They teach us how to find the verb and write a theme a week.

In French conversation class that's all we ever do,
So why can't the English do it too?

Why can't the English teachers teach us how to speak?

They teach us etymology from Latin and from Greek.

We still say "deez an' dem an' doz and t'ings" we never should.

Oh, why can't they teach us to speak good?

Repulsive

(From *My Fair Lady*)

I would have danced all night, I could have danced all night,

My feet were never sore.

I'd do the twist a lot, I'd do the Camel Trot,
I'd waltz around the floor.

I'll never know what makes me so repulsive . . .
Is it my breath that makes the boys take flight?

I only know if he had asked to dance with me,
I would have danced, danced, danced all night!

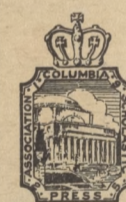
Brownie-in-Motion

(To the tune of "The Riddle Song")

I gave Miss Smith an apple that had no worm,
I helped her mark her papers during midterm,
I stayed to ask her questions late after class,
In hopes that all my efforts might help me pass.

She ate the shiny apple that had no worm,
She smiled when she gave back my flunky midterm,
She answered every question I asked in class,
And tenderly she told me I'd never pass.

I gave Miss Smith an apple that had a worm. . .



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Teacher Devotes Years Of Service to School

By Bob Migdal

For this school to materialize from an architect's dream to a functioning institution of learning, dedicated and hard-working men were needed. One such man was Mr. Joseph Kottmann, acting chairman of the Boys Health Education Department.

In 1941 he promptly organized the General Organization, and his participation in it lasted over twenty years, allowing for an interval when he was acting chairman for the first time.

Mr. Kottmann became Hamilton's first cross-country coach. His hard work and late training hours were rewarded in 1947 with the PSAL championship.

Track Coach 16 Years

In 1945 he became track coach, a position he held for sixteen years.



Under his tutelage this school has produced such stars as Ken Borg, city record-holder in the hop, step and jump; John Moore, PSAL pole-vault champion in '60 and '61 with vaults over thirteen feet (second highest in city annals); and the Gatto brothers, Tom and Dennis, PSAL winners in the half- and quarter-mile.

In 1958 the Blue and White's greatest track team won the city indoor championship, edging out Boys High by half a point! A member of that prize-winning team, Mr. Tom McGrath, is currently track coach here. (This was the same team of which William Urban was a member. Urban scored first in the high hurdles and

second in the high jump.)

Conducts Community Center

Mr. Kottmann attended Commercial High School in Brooklyn (now Alexander Hamilton Vocational), where he was especially interested in lacrosse. He achieved his bachelor's and master's degrees at St. John's and N.Y.U. and taught at Madison, Monroe and Tilden High Schools.

Despite his retirement from active coaching, Mr. Kottmann is kept extremely busy conducting the Fort Hamilton evening community center.

In his limited spare time he enjoys watching the U.S. Steel Hour, Gary Moore, and, of course, all programs pertaining to sports.

Kegler Reaches PSAL Finals

Kegler Ken Zewistowski advanced to the finals of the PSAL singles championship Feb. 6 by bowling a 550 3-game total. His 195 average in the opening round highlighted the beginning of the tournament.

Hamilton was represented in the singles championships by six members of the team. Along with Ken were Rene Noel, captain; Tom Weber, co-captain; Jim Macarevey, Anthony Maratea and Dennis Gaudio. Mr. Harry Flaster is adviser.

To qualify for the opening round, these six boys had to average 155 in their regular PSAL league.

Ken was the only Hamilton bowler to reach the finals. With seven others from this borough, he advanced to the PSAL city championships, where he will compete with keggers from the other four boroughs to decide the singles bowling champion of New York City.

Chessmen Bow To Lafayette High

The chess team lost its first league match to Lafayette Feb. 13.

The team is headed by Captain Marty Harswick, Bruce Gatoroska, Peter Klein, Robert Migdal and Steve Shapiro. Gilbert Allison and Arno Minkinen are alternates.

"The team is coordinated with the club, where many students find good mental relaxation," said Mr. Eugene Sterne, adviser. "However, recently because of illness, I was not able to give the members the encouragement they needed."

The Fort Hamilton league division includes Curtis, Lafayette, and Brooklyn Tech.

The Chess Club meets in 230 every Tuesday at 3. All are welcome.

Sports Deck

By Howie Schneider

On Feb. 19 the basketball team ended a rather unsuccessful hoop campaign with a shallow victory column. However, the success of a season cannot always be measured by the number of victories and defeats.

Once inside the gym, watching a game, one would never believe that the Blue and White quintet was entrenched in last place. Every night game was attended by an SRO crowd. Even at afternoon contests the school was well represented.



Howie

A large factor in this splendid attendance record was G.O. President Ray Saleeby. Ray's incessant reminders of up-coming games kept the students alerted.

The keen interest exhibited by the student body is an indication of school concern. Students from other schools marveled at our enthusiasm and go-go attitude.

John Jay Disqualified

Through the disqualification of John Jay, our first victory came to us a few weeks after the game was played. One of their boys had been playing outside ball, illegal for a PSAL player. Consequently the loss was turned into a 2-0 victory.

Our first real victory came against this same school Feb. 5. This time the game was won on the court. Pat Heelen, in only his second varsity game, scored seven points and grabbed countless important rebounds. Claude Grayer played an outstanding game, scoring eighteen points. Pete Johnson set up offenses and popped in seven points. Richie Epstein chipped in with sixteen points and fine defense.

Win Final Game

The next and last victory came in the final home game Feb. 14, against Sheepshead Bay. The before mentioned players figured greatly in the victory. Leon Parks and John Papas also added heavily to the damage done against the opposition.

Girl Bowlers Develop Skills

"The Girls Bowling Club helps develop bowling skill, encourages friendships, and fosters good sportsmanship among its members," said Mrs. Helen Beisel, adviser.

"Bowling is a sport which can be of use long after one's school career is over," she continued.

Individual teams compete with each other. At the end of the school year trophies are awarded to members with the highest averages and series.

High scorers of the club are: senior Carolyn Romano, junior Linda Sabagh, sophomore Tina Baranow and freshman Leslie James.

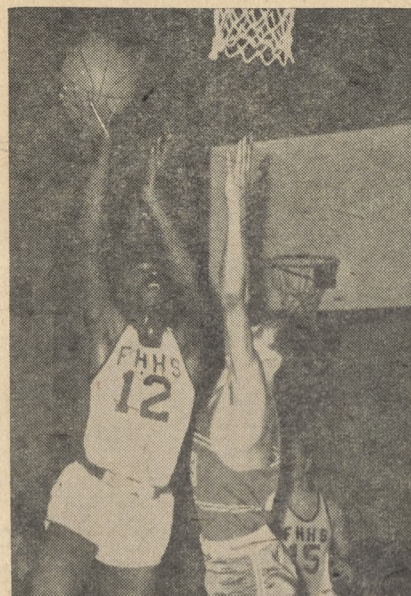
Students interested in joining may do so now. New members are able to participate as alternates on the teams already established.

The club meets Tuesdays from 3 to 5 at the Leemark Bowling Lanes, 88 Street between Fourth and Fifth Avenues.

Action at Sheepshead Game



Pat Heelen (25) and Claude Grayer (5) make a grab. Tom Weber



Leon Parks (12) and John Papas (15) under the net. Tom Weber

Cindermen End Season At PSAL Indoor Meet

The cindermen concluded their indoor season last Saturday by participating in the PSAL Indoor City Championships.

Because there was only one field event, the high jump, the Hamiltonites were handicapped, for their greatest strength lay in field events.

During the season sophomore Fidel Cornell earned himself the label of being potentially the best distance runner on the team. He has run the half-mile in 2:10.5 minutes. His nearest competitor, Pat Agostino, has been clocked in 2:11.

These boys were supported by a number of middle-distance runners, including Co-Captain Marty Feeny, Joe Rizzo, Al Sampara, Duke Peterson and Leslie Quinn.

The two top sprinters were Gunter Glinka and Larry Johnson, while the two outstanding milers were Alex Morales and Joe Spitzkoff.

Prospects for the outdoor season are bright, according to Coach Thomas McGrath. The team will be led by Co-Captain Dave Leaming, last year's city pole-vaulting champ. Dave also excels in the broad jump, consistently going beyond twenty feet, six inches.

Weber Leads in High-Jump

Ray Weber leads in the high-jump event, easily clearing five feet, four inches.

Sophomore Heinz Krenzer placed third in the outdoor city champs in the hop, step, and jump event last year. He is expected to improve his mark this season.

Erick Olendorf and Al Bazadi both have cleared 35 feet in the shot-put; however, Al has gone beyond forty feet numerous times.

The team is planning to participate in many dual meets and a few all-city meets.

1961 Graduate Wins Year Abroad

Seth Charney, an alumnus of the class of '61, has been awarded the Junior Year Abroad scholarship by Brooklyn College. He plans to study at the University of Stockholm.

Seth is a former reporter and columnist on the *Pilot*. His column, *It's a Fact*, was a regular feature on the editorial page.

Seth's sister Deborah is a sophomore here. His brother Jonathan graduated in 1959 and is now at Franklin and Marshall preparing for a medical career.

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Senior Elected FHHS Delegate To City Council

Senior Wendy Ramsay, 4A13, has been chosen representative to the City G.O. Council.

Council membership is composed of representatives from all the high schools in each of the five boroughs, as well as Long Island, Nassau and Suffolk Counties. The group meets at Washington Irving High School once a month.

Explained Wendy, "The City G.O. Council works to improve student curriculum, introduce worthwhile projects, and stimulate pride in the advancements of education."

The most significant aim of the City Council is to encourage the student to find creative outlets through educational facilities. One current project of the Council is the establishment of a scholarship fund for boys and girls who have worked unselfishly in student governments.

Wendy reports regularly to Mr. Philip Drucker, G.O. faculty adviser. Occasionally she addresses the Congress.

"I have gained much by representing Fort Hamilton at the Council," she said. "Learning and understanding the programs of other schools encourages one to compare schools, make improvements on his own, and put into effect fresh, constructive ideas."

Seniors Hear Talk On Atomic Power

"Atomic power, when used for peacetime purposes, holds great promise for serving mankind."

This fact was stressed in a program entitled "This Atomic World," presented by Miss Anne Rossman at the senior assembly Feb. 13. Miss Rossman, a former teacher at Bay Ridge High School, is now working for the United States Atomic Energy Commission.

Presented by the Institute of Nuclear Studies, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, the program dealt with the basic principles of atomic energy and its beneficial application.

Israeli Student Happy With Life in Bay Ridge

By Janet Yellen

Accustomed to thinking of their way of life as the best, Americans often fail "to see ourselves as others see us." It is the foreigner who can most easily observe in Americans what they overlook in themselves.

One such commentator on "life in these United States" is Kathy Pauker, 2C31, who came to this country in 1960 after having lived in Hungary and Israel.

"Most foreigners," said Kathy, "think of the United States as a land of opportunity where they will find a better and more prosperous life. It is with this idea that we left Israel to make our home in America."



Kathy

Unable to speak English fluently at first, she found New York large, noisy and confusing. "But people were very kind and courteous, and here in Fort Hamilton I have made many new friends," said Kathy. "In the United States, boys and girls sit and watch television, whereas in Israel teenagers are adventurous and full of fun. Our school took frequent trips together to all parts of the country."

School Easier Here

The sophomore pointed out that high school education in Israel is not free. "The courses are more difficult than the ones I am now taking. Boys

Artists Work on Yearbook



Rear: Janet Krombar, Wendy Ramsay, Bari Grenard, Rosemary Rando, George Simonton. Front: Anthony Guastella, assistant art editor; Mrs. Dorothy B. McHugh, adviser; Janet Di Rosa, art editor.

Industrial Arts Students Receive Achievement Pins

Thirteen shop and mechanical drawing students were the recipients this term of Industrial Arts Achievement Awards in recognition of their outstanding ability.

Consisting of a sterling silver pin and an engraved certificate, the prize was presented to the student in each class whose work best exemplified "Knowledge . . . Citizenship . . . Craftsmanship."

The program, initiated two years ago, is co-sponsored by the Industrial Arts Chairmen's Association of New York City and *Mechanix Illustrated*, a national scientific magazine.

Winners of the pin were William Haendler, Charles Rose, Edward Ruck, Samuel Telegadis, Robert Berg, Douglas Couvertier, Kenneth Olsen, George Beshara, John Grech, Walter Lorenzo, Robert Clark, Deveau Larson and Richard Lindblad.

"The contest has served to stimulate in the boys greater pride in their work," said Mr. John Matheson, chairman of the Shop Department. "Many of the students have demonstrated excellent skill and craftsmanship."

Tower Art Staff Works on Layout

The Tower art staff, supervised by Mrs. Dorothy B. McHugh, is busily working on the layout and design of the senior yearbook.

Art editor Janet DiRosa, 4B8, is assisted by Anthony Guastella, 4B4. Other members of the staff are Bari Grenard, 4A7; Janet Krombar, 4A5; Wendy Ramsay, 4A13; Rosemary Rando, 4A11, and George Simonton, 4B4.

"One of the purposes of the art staff is to teach its members to plan creatively," pointed out Mrs. McHugh.

Each member receives from six to nine individual assignments. The members also hold a contest among themselves for the best original cover design.

To be eligible for the Tower art staff, a student must have one year of major art and a recommendation from his teacher.

Senior Wins Prize In Legion Contest

Louise Kiernan, 4A7, speaking on the United States Constitution, won first prize in the Kings County Division of the American Legion Oratorical Contest, Feb. 6.

Louise defeated worthy competitors from Brooklyn Prep, St. Francis Xavier, and St. Anthony to capture a beautiful eighteen-inch trophy to add to an already large collection of awards. Last year Louise placed second in this event and captured third place honors in New York City.

Early in April Louise will participate in the Knights of Pythias competition. In 1962 she came out first in the local, county and city divisions of this contest and stood third in the state.

Next September Louise will enter St. John's University where she hopes to develop further her skill in public speaking.

18 Artists Win Awards In Brotherhood Contest

By Janet Yellen

Eighteen Hamiltonites were the recipients of awards in the 13th Annual Brotherhood Poster Contest sponsored by the Brevoort Savings Bank, B'nai B'rith and the Bay Ridge Community Council.

Entries submitted by fifteen local public and parochial elementary and high schools were classified in five categories. Fort Hamilton competed in the 11th and 12th grade elective art and the 9th and 10th grade required art divisions.

Vincent Gaudio Wins Music Prize

Vincent Gaudio, 4B4, won first place among the finalists in the Brooklyn Philharmonic Competition Feb. 9. To achieve this honor, Vincent played a piano concerto by Khatchaturian.

The prize was a \$100 scholarship to go towards his lessons at the Third Street Music Settlement. Furthermore, on March 2 he appeared with the Brooklyn Philharmonic Orchestra in a concert at the Academy of Music. On this occasion he received a trophy for Fort Hamilton.

Every year the Brooklyn Philharmonic sponsors this contest in which Brooklyn high school students compete. The semi-finals were held in January and nine students were chosen from 26 to be finalist competitors.

"I value this prize very much," said Vincent. "I consider this first place a special honor."

Twelve Honored By Math Magazine

For solving a difficult mathematical problem, twelve students were placed on the student honor roll of the February issue of *School Science and Mathematics*, a widely circulated publication.

Honored were Milton Eisner, Patti Gallagher, Richard Kelter, Charles Mator, Doris Nelson, Susan Stover, Eva Halpern, Janet Yellen, Patricia McIntyre, Henry Lees, Steven Jeruchimowitz, and Arlene Mayo.

Mr. Benjamin Greenberg, mathematics teacher, who presented the problem to the students, said, "I am very happy when one of our students is mentioned in the magazine."

Joan Garner

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the Anchor. "I find my work on the magazine a challenging and rewarding experience," she said enthusiastically.

In September she would like to attend Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Virginia. "I like languages and will probably major in French or English."

This senior, who ranks third in her class, has demonstrated the important quality of leadership.

"Not only is Joan an extremely talented writer," said Miss Gerlach, "but she is also an exceptional editor-in-chief. Her enthusiasm and leadership have stimulated the other members."

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